

Latimer, Becky

From: Latimer, Becky
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 2:04 PM
To:
Subject: 2019-281-S

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Dear Aquana McAlister,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

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Sincerely,
Becky Latimer

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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 11:13 AM
To: Latimer, Becky
Subject: FW: [External] Letter of Protest Against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

From: A McAlister
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2020 7:42 PM
To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>
Subject: [External] Letter of Protest Against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

To whom this may concern:

I am a homeowner in the N.E. area of Columbia corridor where Palmetto Utilities provide sewer service. I am protesting the rate increase. I live in a single family home where I am the only occupant.

My current utility usage does not amount to what I am currently paying without considering a rate increase as well as there is not definite explanation as to why the rates are increasing. The best I am able to ascertain is that Palmetto Utilities is making this request to accommodate the land developers in the area. With this being the case, how is this fair to current homeowners? Why is it that City of Columbia can provide sewer services at a more economical rate? Why isn't City of Columbia servicing this area?

Clearly Palmetto Utilities does not have the bandwidth to service the area. What happen to years and years of funds that City of Columbia collected from customers that apparently was not transferred over to Palmetto Utilities as PU's previous claim was that there was an increase in rates due to infrastructure renovations? Where are current funds being allocated? We the people deserve to know!

All too often companies take on more responsibility than they are able to withstand and the middle class is over taxed to make accommodations. This is despicable and actions need to be interjected to stop this increase from going forward! Consider what the Scana/SCE&G scandalous debacle did to the people of Columbia. How long will corporation/incorporations be allowed to raise rates at will! Who is misappropriating funds? Who does not know how to control budgets? Why isn't costs taxed back to developers?

NO TO PALMETTO UTILITIES RAISING RATES!

With due diligence,
 Aquana McAlister

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Aquana McAlister, MBA

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From: Latimer, Becky
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 2:07 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: 2019-281-S

Dear Quarteeya Garner,

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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 11:13 AM
To: Latimer, Becky
Subject: FW: [External] Protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

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From: Quarteeya Garner
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2020 9:16 PM
To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>
Subject: [External] Protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

I would like to express my disdain and thoughts on raising the fees for the Palmetto Utilities. It's not fair and it's completely unnecessary. Please do not raise these expenses anymore. Thank you.

Ms. Garner

Latimer, Becky



From: Latimer, Becky
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 2:11 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: 2019-281-S

Dear Heather Evans,

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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 11:15 AM
To: Latimer, Becky
Subject: FW: [External] Protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

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From: Heather Evans <Heather.Evans@psc.sc.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 7:33 AM
To: PSC_Contact <Contact@psc.sc.gov>
Subject: [External] Protest against Palmetto Utilities 2019-2020

To whom it concerns,

As a single adult living alone, your prices charged for sewer is unwarranted. I should not be paying the same amount as a family with multiple household members and increased usage.

Heather Evans
Heather.Evans@psc.sc.gov